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Application No. : 10/627,253  
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For : POLYMORPHISMS IN THE HUMAN GENE FOR  
THE MULTIDRUG RESISTANCE-ASSOCIATED  
PROTEIN 1 (MRP-1) AND THEIR USE IN  
DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC  
APPLICATIONS

New York, New York  
December 22, 2003

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This is in response to the October 21, 2003 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (hereinafter "the Notice"), a copy of which is enclosed herewith. A response is due by December 22, 2003.<sup>1</sup> Thus, this response is timely filed.

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<sup>1</sup> The shortened statutory deadline for responding to the Notice fell on December 21, 2003, a Sunday. According to 37 C.F.R. §1.7, this response is timely filed on the next succeeding day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday in this case Monday, December 22, 2003.

Application No. 10/627,253  
Response dated December 22, 2003  
In Response to October 21, 2003 Notice to File  
Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application

**Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin at page 3 of this paper.

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